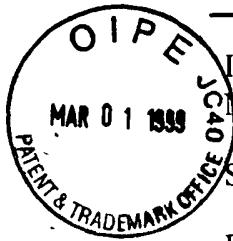


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

In the Title:

After "B7-2" please delete "and B7-3".

At page 1, line 11 under the Related Applications section please delete "This application is a Continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/147,773 filed November 3, 1993 entitled 'Tumor Cells Modified to Express B7-2 and B7-3 with increased Immunogenicity and Uses Therefor'. The contents of this application is incorporated herein by reference." and insert therefore--This application is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/456,104, filed on May 30, 1995, pending; which is a continuation-in-part of USSN 08/147,773, filed on

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